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Weekly Summer Flounder Quota Report (No. 06)

Summer Flounder Landings (pounds) for 2000.

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State	Late Entries	Week Ending	Cumulative	Proposed	Percent
		12-FEB-00	Total (to date)	2000 Quotas	Landed
ME	0	0	980	5,284	18.5
NH	0	0	0	51	0
MA	0	0	14,178	757,834	1.9
RI	4,624	71,034	299,182	1,742,566	17.2
CT	0	17,756	76,661	250,788	30.6
NY	2,269	9,872	81,089	849,672	9.5
NJ	292	4,406	986,737	1,858,346	53.1
DE	0	0	0	1,977	0
MD	0	4,000	7,777	226,568	3.4
VA	-8,000	366,744	1,254,068	2,368,546	52.9
NC	0	386,707	1,214,333	3,049,560	39.8
TOTAL	-815	860,519	3,935,005	11,111,191	35.4

Notes:

This report includes summer flounder landings from the week ending January 1, 2000, therefore, some landings may be from the 1999 Quota Period. These landings will be separated into their respective quota periods at a later date, at which time the landings data for each quota period will be adjusted accordingly.

Quotas used on this report are proposed 2000 Federal quotas.

If negative late entries are present on this report, they are the result of corrections made to the database.

For the week ending **12-FEB-00**, 236 dealers held a federal summer flounder permit. Of those 236 dealers, 163 (69%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, they were not included in these calculations.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary. Data supplied by the State of Massachusetts are as of the week ending January 29, 2000.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Summer Flounder (Year 2000 Quota Period)

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State/	Closure	Trip/Possession Limits	Other Provisions/	State Contact
Commonwealth	status	(pounds)	Pending Changes	
Maine				Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts				Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island		Effective 1201 hrs on 12/29/99, the possession limit for summer flounder will be 1,000 lbs until further notice.		April Valliere 401-222-3075 401-789-3094
Connecticut		Effective at 0001 hrs on Saturday, 1/15/2000, the possession limit for summer flounder (fluke) taken from CT waters or landed in this state, regardless where taken, is increased to 1,500 lbs per trip or per day, whichever is the longer period of time.		Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York		<u> </u>	Beginning 0001 hrs on 3/5/2000, the trip limit will be lowered back to 500 pounds.	John Mason 516-444-0453
New Jersey		Effective 1801 hrs, 1/14/2000, no vessel shall land or possess any summer flounder in excess of the by-catch trip limit of 200 pounds through 2/29/2000 or until such time as the fall by-catch quota is projected to be taken. By-catch landings may not exceed ten (10) percent, by weight, of all species landed and sold.		Tom McCloy 609-292-2083
Delaware				Rick Cole 302-739-4782

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Maryland	2,000 lbs for vessels with Maryland summer flounder landing permit.	For vessels without a Maryland summer flounder landing permit, 200 lbs from the Atlantic Coast and 100 lbs from the Chesapeake Bay.	Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia	Effective 0001 hrs on Tuesday 1/04/2000, the First Quarter of the Virginia offshore Summer Flounder fishery will open. The possession limit is 5,000 lbs.		Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243
North Carolina			Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021